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Newsletter



GRADUATE SCHOOL ★ USDA

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To the Faculty, Committee Members and others associated with the Graduate School:

A CHANCE TO TALK OVER

common interests and mutual problems with fellow teachers and department heads, to learn about plans for the coming year, meet members of the General Administration Board, and hear Secretary Benson -- these are on the ticket for the annual GS faculty dinner, September 10.

Again we are taking advantage of a kind offer of the University of Maryland to allow us to use the Student Union dining hall on the campus at College Park. President H. C. Byrd hopes to join us. Byron T. Shaw, ARA administrator and a member of the General Administration Board, will be the master of ceremonies.

Details of the Dinner meeting and reservation forms were sent to you last week. We hope you are planning to be with us.

The faculty dinner committee is as follows: Ralph W. Shaw, Chairman; Henry Donovan, John H. Thurston, Harry C. Trelogan, Marshall S. Wright, and O. B. Conaway, Jr.

GS HAS SPARKED ANOTHER NEW PROGRAM

designed to provide needed special training for Federal personnel. This one is for employees in the New York Metropolitan area.

The new program, to run 7 weeks, is sponsored jointly by the Federal Personnel Council, New York University, and GS. The courses to be given are: Federal Organization and Methods Analysis; Federal Personnel Management; Human Relations; and Federal Budget Preparation. Classes will be held at central locations in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

Albert W. Riggs, chief of area personnel management for PMA and chairman of the FPC in New York, represented GS in making the arrangements with James Rossell, regional director for the Civil Service Commission, and Martin Dworkis of the NYU Graduate School of Public Administration and Social Service. The plan is similar to one we initiated last year in cooperation with Boston University for Federal employees in the Boston area.

The New York Times published a description of the new program on Aug. 9.

FORTY NEW FACULTY AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

are listed in the Bulletin for 1953-54. By departments of instruction they are: Biological Sciences - George R. LaRue and Morris Leikind; Languages and literature -- Smith dawless, Maurice Fried, and Sherwood King; Mathematics and Statistics - Hyman Goldstein, James G. Osborne, and Walter F. Ryan; Office Techniques and Operations - Samuel E. Landis and Ralph G. McIntyre.

New in Physical Sciences are Sigmund Fritz, David Garner, and Harry F. Hawkins Jr.; in Public Administration - Lynn W. Eley, Jerome N. Eller, M. George Goodrick, Reed L. Frischnecht, Arthur B. Jebens, and Francis X. McCarthy, Fred McNamara, and Pierre Palmer; in Social Sciences -- Katherine Beardsley, Roy Beck, Russell W. Bierman, Graeme S. Dorrance, Robert N. Grosse, C. M. Mouser, Joseph Samler, Conrad Taeuber, and E. Grant Youmans.

Technology's new roster includes Catherine Bahn, Aldo A. Carano, O. A. De La Rosa, Ray A. Kelsey, Lydia A. Lynde, H. Walter Price, Beverly Robinson, N. P. Stathis, Avis Woolrich, Harry A. Magnuson. James L. Robinson is a new member of the committee on Correspondence Study and Extension Education.

Our new teachers are drawn from 11 Federal agencies. The largest number (14) work for Agriculture. Six are in Defense, 4 in Commerce, 4 in the Bureau of the Budget, 2 each are in State, Interior, the Veterans' Administration and the Capitol. Treasury, General Services Administration, Health, Education, and Welfare, and the International Bank are also represented.

GS IS FORTUNATE

in having a continuity of interest in the General Administration Board as well as in the staff, faculty, and committees.

I thought of this August 5 when I observed the genuine interest and sympathetic understanding expressed by Board members attending the quarterly meeting. Although seven of the 10 members have come to the Board in the past two years, all are eager to do their part in making GS an effective institution. The most recent addition is Carl Raymond "Cap" Arnold, new governor of Farm Credit Administration, a former member of the GS faculty.

The Board has given me authority to make necessary arrangements for appropriate GS participation in the Fulbright program. I hope that GS will be able thus to serve as sponsor for foreign specialists who may be invited by Department agencies to come here to lecture or to teach, and for those of you who are interested in similar service abroad.

In other actions the Board approved the budget for the coming year, and voted in favor of our proposal to revise staff leave regulations to conform with those of the Federal service as it has conformed, heretofore, in all other procedures affecting personnel.

THIS IS TO REMIND YOU

that -- as a member of the faculty or a committee -- you pay only the registration fee of \$5.00 a course for any in which you wish to enroll. You may obtain your books at the publisher's discount through the GS bookstore.

We have arranged with Mrs. Mildred Schuttrumpf to handle registration for employees at Beltsville who wish to enroll for courses that will be offered this year at the Agricultural Research Center.

AMONG OURSELVES

Richard Fitzpatrick (State), a GS instructor since 1947, is taking over the course in General Psychology formerly taught by George W. Albee, assistant executive secretary of the American Psychological Association. Dr. Albee will spend the coming year teaching on a Fulbright grant at the University of Helsinki.

William Lerner, chief of the statistical abstracts unit (Census), is our new instructor in Publication of Statistical Reports. He takes the place of Morris Ullman, who has accepted an assignment with the government of Israeli.

Thomas J. McDonough (REA) will teach Fundamentals of Telephony. He succeeds Robert Niekirk, who is leaving Washington to take a post with the Bell Telephone Laboratories. Mr. McDonough holds an MSEE from Stevens Institute and has been a student of public administration in GS.

Mary A. Kelley, who is a shorthand reporter at Fort McNair, will teach the shorthand classes formerly given by Donald Bell, assistant to the vice president of Southern Railway company. A new assignment that requires more travel made it necessary for Mr. Bell to give up his teaching.

James Koch, associate biometrician (BPISAE) will teach the course in Experimental Design in Biological Sciences formerly taught by David Mason. Mr. Koch is a graduate in horticulture from Iowa State College and in experimental statistics from North Carolina. Dr. Mason is returning to the staff of North Carolina University.

Another GS faculty member who is returning to North Carolina is Roy L. Lovvorn, who has given the course, Recent Advances in Weed Control. Dr. Lovvorn has been named director of instruction for North Carolina State College at Raleigh.

Sincerely,



Director

